

consistent with Section 6 of the Act in general, and with Section 6(b)(5) in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, as well as to protect investors and the public interest. The Exchange also believes that the proposal should remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market by providing market opportunity to investors constricted by current position limit levels. The Phlx believes that by stimulating market participation, and thereby increasing option market depth and liquidity, the proposed rule change should promote just and equitable principles of trade. At the same time, the Phlx believes that the proposed position limits should continue to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices as well as protect investors and the public interest by limiting the ability to disrupt and manipulate the markets for options as well as the underlying securities.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The self-regulatory organization does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any inappropriate burden on competition.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

No written comments were either solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Within 35 days of the publication of this notice in the Federal Register or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding, or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

- A. By order approve the proposed rule change, or
- B. Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W.,

Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 552, will be available for inspection and copying at the Commission's Public Reference Section, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Phlx. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-Phlx-96-33 and should be submitted by October 1, 1996.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁹

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Department of Transportation (DOT), Office of the Secretary (OST).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on July 3, 1996 [FR 61, page 34920].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 9, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Davis, U.S. Coast Guard, Office of Information Management, telephone (202) 267-2326.

⁹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

United States Coast Guard

Title: Application for Tonnage Measurement of Vessels.

OMB No. 2115-0086.

Affected Public: Vessel owners.

Abstract: The collection of information requires vessel owners to submit application for tonnage measurement to the Coast Guard or an organization delegated by the Coast Guard. Additional information may be required if an owner requests certain tonnage treatment.

Need: 46 U.S.C. 14104 requires that before a vessel is documented or recorded under laws of the United States, or where the application of law of the United States to a vessel is determined by its tonnage, the vessel must be measured for tonnage.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden is 44,000 hours annually.

Title: Oil and Hazardous Material Pollution Prevention and Safety Records, Equivalent/Alternatives and Exemptions.

OMB No. 2115-0096.

Affected Public: Operators of vessels and owners of waterfront facilities.

Abstract: The collection of information requires the inspection of discharge removal equipment on vessels and requires monitoring, reporting and recordkeeping regarding discharges of oil or hazardous materials by facilities and vessels. The regulated industry has the option of requesting, in writing, either equivalent or alternative procedures, methods or equipment standards in lieu of any requirement or a full or partial exemption of any requirement.

Need: Under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and Executive Order 12777, Coast Guard has the authority to issue regulations to prevent the discharge of oil or hazardous materials from waterfront facilities and vessels.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden is 1,840 hours annually.

Title: Records Relation to Citizenship of Personnel on Units Engaged in Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Activities.

OMB No.: 2115-0143.

Affected Public: Employers of persons engaged in Outer Continental Shelf activities.

Abstract: The collection of information requires employers of vessels and units engaged in exploration and exploitation of offshore resources on the OCS such as gas and oil to ascertain the citizenship of their employees and to maintain records of same.

Need: 43 U.S.C. 1356 authorizes the Coast Guard to issue regulations to man

or crew outer continental shelf (OCS) facilities with U.S. citizens or permanent resident aliens.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden is 1,510 hours annually.

Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention OST Desk Officer.

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 5, 1996.

Phillip A. Leach,

Clearance Officer, United States Department of Transportation.

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Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Department of Transportation (DOT), Office of the Secretary (OST).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on May 20, 1996 [FR 61, page 25265].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 9, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Weaver, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590. Telephone 202-366-2811.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Maritime Administration

Title: Supplementary Training Course Application.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0030.

Affected Public: U.S. merchant seamen, both officers and unlicensed personnel. U.S. citizens employed in other areas of waterborne commerce also may receive this training on a space available basis.

Abstract: Section 1305(a) of the Maritime Education and Training Act of 1980 states that the Secretary may provide additional training on maritime subjects and may make such training available to the personnel of the

merchant marine of the United States and to individuals preparing for a career in the merchant marine of the United States. Also, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) requires a fire fighting certificate for U.S. merchant marine officers, effective December 1989, pursuant to the 46 CFR 10.205(g) and 10.207(f).

Need and Use of the Information: Information is needed for eligibility assessment, enrollment, attendance verification and recordation. Without this information the courses would not be documented for future reference by the program or individual student.

This application form is the only document of record and is used to verify that students have attended the course.

Annual Burden: 100 hours.

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 5, 1996.

Phillip A. Leach,

Clearance Officer, United States Department of Transportation.

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Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart Q During the Week Ending August 30, 1996

The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart Q of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (See 14 CFR 302.1701 *et seq.*). The due date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to modify Scope are set forth below for each application. Following the Answer period DOT may process the application by expedited procedures. Such procedures may consist of the adoption of a show-cause order, a tentative order, or in appropriate cases a final order without further proceedings.

Docket Number: OST-96-1674.

Date filed: August 30, 1996.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: September 27, 1996.

Description: Application of Mountain Air Express, Inc. d/b/a MAX pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 41102, and Subpart Q of the Department's Rules of Practice, applies for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to engage in scheduled and charter interstate air

transportation of persons, property and mail.

Paulette V. Twine,

Chief, Documentary Services Division.

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Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Availability of Draft FAA ASR-11 Programmatic Environmental Assessment and Comment Period

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability and comment period.

SUMMARY: The FAA announces the availability of the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) for the ASR-11 Radar which assesses the potential environmental impacts of the FAA ASR-11 Radar program. The FAA and the Department of Defense (DOD) are both planning to upgrade air traffic control infrastructure by systematically replacing analog systems with state-of-the-art digital technology. The FAA plans to install up to 120 digital systems nationwide. The Draft PEA is subdivided into five main sections, including: NEPA requirements and FAA's ASR-11 program; Purpose and Need for Action; Implementation; and Cumulative Impacts. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C), the FAA has prepared a Draft PEA to determine whether the deployment and operation of the ASR-11 will have a significant impact on environmental quality. The FAA plans to prepare a Final PEA after a 45 day comment period during which time the FAA will collect and review comments and incorporate appropriate changes for the Final PEA. Comments regarding the Draft PEA should be mailed to Jerome D. Schwartz, Environmental Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Surveillance Integrated Product Team, AND-400, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before October 25, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jerome D. Schwartz, Environmental Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Surveillance Integrated Product Team, AND-400, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 358-4946.